

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – MA&UD Department - Guntur Municipal Corporation – Allegation of excess purchase of Alum used for water purification at Takkelapadu & Jagarlamudi Treatment plants of Guntur Municipal Corporation – Departmental proceedings initiated against Sri L.Rama Naik, Executive Engineer and three (3) others under Rule-20 of A.P.C.S (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Enquiry Conducted – Charge held not proved – Explanation submitted – Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.473

Dated:23.08.2021.

Read the following:-

- 1) From General Administration (V&E) Department, Vigilance Report No.40 (C.No.1554/V&E/E/2016), dated.31.04.2017.
- 2) G.O.Rt.Nos.866 to 870, MA&UD (Vig.II) Department, dated.13.12.2017.
- 3) Served copies of Sri K.Santhi Raju, Dy.E.E. and WSDs of Sri L.Rama Naik, E.E., Sri V.V.Konda Reddy, Dy.E.E. and Sri V.Satyanarayana, MAE of Guntur Municipal Corporation received through the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur, letter No.15274/V&E/VR.40/CS2/2017, dated.08.06.2018.
- 4) G.O.Rt.No.710, MA&UD (Vig.II.1) Department, dated.23.07.2018.
- 5) G.O.Rt.No.711, MA&UD (Vig.II.1) Department, dated.23.07.2018.
- 6) Inquiry Report from Sri M.Zachariaiah, S.E. & Inquiry officer, APCRDA, Vijayawada, Lr.No.CRDA-13023(38)/01/General/2018-2019, dt.14.08.2019.
- 7) Govt.Memo.No.662104/Vig.I/2017, MA&UD (VIG.II) Dept., dated.17.07.2021.
- 8) Written representations dated.08.04.2021 of all the (4) Charged Officers.

ORDER:

Whereas, based on the report of Vigilance & Enforcement Department in the reference 1st read above, Government initiated disciplinary proceedings against 1).Sri L.Rama Naik, the then Executive Engineer, 2).Sri V.V.Konda Reddy, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, 3).Sri K.Santhi Raju, the then Deputy Executive Engineer and 4). Sri V.Satyanarayana, Assistant Engineer of Guntur Municipal Corporation on the allegations of excess purchase of Alum used for water purification at Takkelapadu & Jagarlamudi Treatment plants of Guntur Municipal Corporation, vide reference 2nd read above.

2. Whereas in the reference 3rd read above the charged officers submitted their written statement of defences by denying the charge framed against them and requested to drop further action.

3. Having not convinced with the written statement of defences submitted by the charged officers, it has been decided to conduct regular inquiry and after following due procedure, orders were issued, in the reference 4th read above, appointing Sri M. Zachariaiah, Superintending Engineer, APCRDA Vijayawada, as an Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against 1).Sri L.Rama Naik, the then Executive Engineer, 2).Sri V.V.Konda Reddy, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, 3).Sri K.Santhi Raju, the then Deputy Executive Engineer and 4). Sri

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V.Satyanarayana, Assistant Engineer of Guntur Municipal Corporation and in the reference 5th read above, Sri D.Srinivas, Deputy Commissioner, Guntur Municipal Corporation, was appointed as Presenting Officer, to present the case before the Inquiry Officer on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority.

4. In the reference 6th read above, Sri M.Zacharaiah, Superintendent Engineer cum Inquiry Officer, APCRDA, Vijayawada, submitted his Inquiry Report and reported that, the charges framed against the four (4) charged officers are held "not proved" in the inquiry and therefore requested to take further necessary action.

5. Government after careful examination of the Inquiry Report, submitted by the Inquiry Officer have disagreed with the findings of Inquiry Officer, since, the very basic issues as raised by V&E authorities are not properly assessed and the very basic essence on the issues as pointed out by V&E are not attended in true spirit. Therefore, the charge is treated as proved against the four charged officers.

6. Accordingly, a copy of inquiry report along with reasons for disagreement factors on the findings of the Inquiry Officer, has been communicated to all the charged officers, under Rule 21 (2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 and directed to submit their written representations, if any, to the Government, vide reference 7th read above.

7. In the references 8th read above, all the (4) Charged Officers in their written representations submitted detailed explanation and requested the Government to drop further action against them.

8. Government after careful examination of the matter; keeping in view the findings given by the Inquiry Officer and taking into the consideration of written explanation and representations of the delinquent officers on the dis-agreement factors of the Government on the Inquiry Report, decided to drop further action against them in the matter.

9. Accordingly, Government hereby order to drop further action against the charged officers viz., 1). Sri L.Rama Naik, the then Executive Engineer, 2). Sri V.V.Konda Reddy, the then Deputy Executive Engineer, 3). Sri K.Santhi Raju, the then Deputy Executive Engineer and 4). Sri V.Satyanarayana, the then Assistant Engineer, Guntur Municipal Corporation, Guntur.

10. The Engineer-In-Chief (PH), A.P., Guntur, shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

11. The receipt of G.O., shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Y. SRILAKSHMI
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri L.Rama Naik, Executive Engineer, Guntur Municipal Corporation,
- through the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.

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Sri V.V.Konda Reddy, the then Deputy Executive Engineer
(presently working in CRDA, Vijayawada),

- **through** the Commissioner, APCRDA, Vijayawada.

Sri K.Santhi Raju, Deputy Executive Engineer, Guntur Municipal Corporation,

- **through** the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.

Sri V.Satyanarayana, Assistant Engineer, Guntur Municipal Corporation,

- **through** the ENC (PH), A.P., Guntur.

The Engineer-In-Chief (PH), A.P., Guntur.

Copy to:

The Commissioner, Guntur Municipal Corporation, Guntur.

The Commissioner, APCRDA, Vijayawada.

The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, 5th Block, A.P. Secretariat.

The G.A. (V&E) Department, A.P., Vijayawada.

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// FORWARDED BY ORDER //


SECTION OFFICER.